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To the people of Pennsylvania:

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State College, held at said college, on the 25th day of June, 1879, the undersigned were appointed a committee to prepare an address to the people of Pennsylvania, explanatory of the history, present condition, and future prospects of the institution, for the purpose of counteracting any evil effects which might otherwise result from a report of a joint committee of the two Houses of the General Assembly, made on the 5th day of June, A. D. 1879.

The great number of inaccuracies, errors, and misstatements contained in said report, demonstrate conclusively the want of general information among the members of that committee, relative to the past history and present organization and condition of the Pennsylvania State College. We therefore deem it advisable to give a brief history of the origin and growth of that institution.

The first effort to establish an agricultural school in Pennsylvania was made in 1853–4 by the officers and members of the State Agricultural Society, and other prominent and influential friends of agriculture throughout the State. In consequence of their efforts, the Legislature passed "An act to incorporate The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," which was approved by the Governor, April 13, 1854. It is provided by the third section of this act "that the president and vice presidents of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the presidents of the several county agricultural societies which shall, at any time, have been organized more than one year, shall be *ex-officio* members of and constitute the board of trustees; which said trustees and their successors in office, are hereby enacted and declared to be a body politic and corporate in law, with perpetual succession, by the name, style, and title of The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, by which name and title the said trustees and their successors shall be able and capable in law to take by gift, grant, sale, or conveyance, by bequest, devise, or otherwise, any estate in any lands, tenements, and hereditaments, goods, chattels, or effects, and at

pleasure to alien or otherwise dispose of the same, to and for the use and purposes of the said institution."

The board of trustees thus created, consisting of the president and vice presidents of the State agricultural society, and the presidents of the several county agricultural societies, was required to meet on the second Thursday of June following, at Harrisburg, "and proceed to the organization of the institution, and selection of the most eligible site within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for its location, where they shall purchase, or obtain by gift, grant, or otherwise, a tract of land containing at least two hundred acres, upon which they shall procure such improvements and alterations to be made as will make it an institution properly adapted to the instruction of youth in the art of farming, according to the meaning and design of this act." The board of trustees was also required to meet quarterly at the institution, and oftener if necessary. The course of instruction prescribed in the sixth section was, "a knowledge of the English language, grammar, geography, history, mathematics, chemistry, and such other branches of the natural and exact sciences as will conduce to the proper education of a farmer." By the eighth and last section of this act it was made lawful for the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society to appropriate out of its funds to the objects of this act the sum of ten thousand dollars.

No organization ever occurred under this charter. The scheme in many particulars was impracticable. A corporation was created for the purpose of establishing and maintaining an agricultural school, without any capital stock, with no revenue, no contribution by the State, and no means of obtaining any funds, except by the donations of private individuals and one existing corporation. While the trustees were directed to purchase a tract of land, not less than two hundred acres, and to make such improvements and alterations as would make it suitable for the purposes of an agricultural school, they were not given one dollar with which to meet these expenses. The board of trustees to manage this new educational corporation was to consist of the president and vice presidents of the State agricultural society, and the presidents of all the county agricultural societies in the Commonwealth. These officers were all elected annually, so the entire board of trustees of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania" was liable to be changed every year; while at no time would any one member of the board be selected because of his interest in, knowledge of, or qualifications to manage such an institution. This large unwieldy and impracticable body was to meet four times a year at the institution—at their own expense, of course.

By an act approved February 22, 1855, this first charter of incor-

poration was repealed, and another one granted, differing from the first in the mode of constituting the board of trustees. The second section provides the institution shall be under the management and government of a board of trustees, of whom there shall be thirteen, and seven of whom shall constitute a quorum. By the third section, it is provided "That the Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, the president of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the principal of the institution, shall each be *ex-officio* a member of the board of trustees, and they with Dr. Alfred L. Elwyn and Algernon S. Roberts, of the city of Philadelphia; H. N. McAllister, of the county of Centre; R. C. Walker, of the county of Allegheny; James Miles, of the county of Erie; John Strohm, of the county of Lancaster; A. O. Hiester, of the county of Dauphin; William Jessup, of the county of Susquehanna; and Frederick Watts, of the county of Cumberland, shall constitute the first board of trustees."

The board of trustees thus appointed, met and organized by electing Hon. Frederick Watts president. A committee of said board was appointed to select a location for the proposed institution. This committee consisted of most intelligent, honest, and impartial men. They visited the various locations in the State offered, and compared the terms and conditions annexed to each offer, including the amount of donations or subscription proposed to be guaranteed with each. After a full and careful consideration of the whole subject, they reported in favor of locating the institution upon a tract of two hundred acres of land, situate in Harris township, Centre, county, proposed to be donated for that purpose, by the late General James Irvin, of Bellefonte. The report of the committee was adopted by the board, and the donation of General Irvin accepted. A deed from General James Irvin and wife to "The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," for this tract of two hundred acres, dated August 4, 1857, was executed, which deed was duly recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in Centre county, in Deed Book V, page 20.

The board of trustees soon afterwards purchased an additional two hundred acres from General Irwin, adjoining the tract donated, for the price of twelve thousand dollars, being at the rate of sixty dollars per acre. This latter tract was conveyed to the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," by deed dated November 4, 1857, which deed is recorded in the same volume of records, on page 22.

Thus the proposed institution became the owner of four hundred acres of valuable land, in the midst of a fertile and prosperous farming region, and near the geographical center of the State. Whatever criticisms may now be made upon the location of the institution, the character and standing of the members of the first board of trustees,

who had the duty devolved upon them by the Legislature of selecting the location, is a sufficient guarantee that they performed this duty honestly and in good faith. That the people in other localities who took less interest in the proposed enterprise, and were less willing to contribute either in land or money to its establishment than the people of Centre county, should, after the institution has grown and become prosperous, be envious of its present location, is not remarkable.

It will be noticed even by the act of 1855, that the Legislature gave nothing towards the expenses of founding this new institution of learning. As by the act of 1854, it authorized the State agricultural society to give ten thousand dollars for that purpose, and then left the board of trustees to beg whatever other funds they might need. The board having obtained subscriptions and donations, in addition to the land, amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars towards the erection of suitable buildings, applied to the Legislature, in 1857, for aid. By an act, approved May 20, 1857, the Legislature appropriated twenty-five thousand dollars, absolutely, and twenty-five thousand additional, conditioned that an equal sum should be raised by private subscription, which was subsequently done, and the trustees received from the State Treasurer the fifty thousand dollars thus appropriated. With these funds the building was commenced, and the western wing completed, and opened for the admission of students on the 20th of February, 1859.

By an act approved March 17, 1859, five members of the board was made to constitute a quorum. The court of quarter sessions of Centre county was prohibited from granting a license to any one to sell intoxicating liquors within two miles of the school; and the cabinets of mineralogical and geological specimens belonging to the State, then in possession of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital, were donated to this school.

By an act approved April 18, 1861, the Legislature appropriated forty-nine thousand nine hundred dollars to complete the building, and named in the act a commission to superintend the expenditure of this money. In pursuance of the provisions of this last act, contracts were entered into on behalf of the school, for the completion of the buildings for the amount of the appropriation; but owing to the great and rapid increase of prices, both of labor and materials, the contractors were unable to fulfill their contracts, and the trustees had to go on and finish the buildings at a much greater expense than had been estimated. Had the prices of labor and materials remained substantially as they were in 1861 the building would have been completed and paid for by the appropriation made by the Legislature,

and the new institution would have started on its career without being loaded down with debt.

To this time the purpose had been to establish a purely agricultural school, without any very definite idea as to what was necessary to be included in its curriculum. The State had appropriated in the aggregate $99,900 towards the cost of erecting the buildings, but had made no provision for endowing the institution, or furnishing it any annual revenue but such as it might derive from its patrons. It must be manifest to every thoughtful mind, that to keep up necessary repairs to the building, to maintain the necessary furniture, to establish and maintain the requisite laboratories, cabinets, museums, and libraries, and to employ and pay the proper number of competent professors, would require so large an annual revenue, that if it should be attempted to be raised entirely from the students attending the institution, would make the cost of such an education beyond the means of all but the wealthy classes, and would almost entirely debar the industrial classes from partaking of the benefits of the enterprise.

By an act of Congress approved July 2, 1862, (Statutes at Large, page 503,) the United States donated to the several States public lands equal to thirty thousand acres for each Senator and Representative in Congress which such State was entitled to under the census of 1860. Only such land as was liable to private entry at $1 25 per acre was included in this donation. States having no public lands within their limits were to receive land scrip in lieu of lands which the States could not locate in any other State or territory, but their assignees were authorized to locate the land scrip upon any of the public lands of the Government liable to private entry at $1 25 per acre.

By section four of this act it is provided:

"That all moneys derived from the sale of the land aforesaid by the States to which the lands are appointed, and from the sale of land scrip hereinbefore provided for, shall be invested in stocks of the United States or of the States, or some other safe stocks yielding not less than five per centum upon the par value of said stocks; and that the moneys so invested shall constitute a perpetual fund, the capital of which shall remain forever undiminished, (except so far as may be provided in section fifth of this act,) and the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated by each State, which may take and claim the benefit of this act, *to the endowment, support, and maintenance of at least one college, where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the Legislatures*

of the State shall respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life."

By section five, each State is authorized to use a sum not exceeding ten per centum of the whole fund, for the purchase of land, to be used as experimental farms, sites for buildings, &c., but no portion of said fund, nor the interest thereon, shall be applied, directly or indirectly, under any pretense whatever, to the purchase, erection, preservation, or repair of any building or buildings. It was further provided by this act, that no State should receive the benefits of its provisions, unless such State, within two years, should by an act of its Legislature, accept the provisions of the act of Congress.

By a decree of the court of quarter sessions of Centre county, dated May 1, 1862, the name of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania" was changed to "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania."

By an act of the Legislature of Pennsylvania approved April 1, 1863, the State accepted the provisions and conditions of the act of Congress before referred to, and pledged the faith of the State to carry the same into effect.

The second section of the same act authorizes and requires the Surveyor General to do every act and thing necessary to entitle this State to its distributive share of land scrip under the act of Congress, and when said scrip is received by him, to dispose of the same under such regulations as the board of commissioners hereafter appointed shall prescribe. The third section of the act appoints the Governor, Auditor General, and Surveyor General a board of commissioners, with full power to make all needful rules and regulations, respecting the manner in which the Surveyor General shall dispose of the land scrip and invest the proceeds. Section four of the act appropriates the interest of the investment to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania.

Under the census of 1860, Pennsylvania had twenty-four representatives and two senators in Congress, and was therefore entitled to received from the General Government, under the provisions of the act of Congress, land scrip representing seven hundred and eighty thousand acres of land. This she received. The necessary expense attending the sale of so large a quantity of public land must be considerable, and yet in the act authorizing the Surveyor General to dispose of it, no provision is made by the State for the payment of any expense whatever. In consequence of this negligence on the part of the Legislature, but twenty-three thousand six hundred and eighty acres of the land scrip was sold between the passage of the act of April 1, 1863, and the passage of an act supplementary to it ap-

proved April 11, 1866. By this supplement the Governor, Auditor General, and Surveyor General were authorized to pay the necessary expenses attending the advertisement and sale of the land scrip out of any money in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated, but added a proviso, limiting the sales, under the provisions of that act, to one third of the land scrip. As soon as practicable, the board of commissioners advertised and sold the two hundred and thirty-six thousand three hundred and twenty acres of the land scrip, being the residue of the one third authorized to be sold. The prices realized ranged from fifty-five to ninety cents per acre. The total amount received for the two hundred and sixty thousand acres sold was $151,136, or a little more than fifty-eight and one eighth cents per acre.

By the second section of the act of April 11, 1866, the board of trustees were authorized to borrow a sum of money not exceeding eighty thousand dollars, at seven per centum interest, with which to pay and consolidate all the debts of the institution, and to secure the same by a mortgage upon the property thereof. Thus the debt of the college, which arose from the cost of the buildings, in excess of the estimates of 1861, and the necessary cost of furnishing the several departments, was consolidated into a mortgage debt, drawing interest at seven per cent. This mortgage run ten years before the bonds secured by it matured, and while it relieved the board of trustees of the annoyance of carrying a large floating debt, it required them to pay $5,600 a year interest.

By an act approved February 19, 1867, the proviso to the first section of the act of April 11, 1866, which limited the sale of the land scrip to one third of the whole amount, was repealed. The second section appropriated one tenth of the entire proceeds of the land-scrip to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, for the purchase of land to be used as experimental farms, in pursuance of the authority given in the act of Congress. The third section of the act provides that the interest and income of the entire residue of the proceeds of the said lands shall be paid annually to the college, on condition that the trustees establish, conduct, and maintain in connection with the college three experimental farms, one near the college, one in the east and the other in the west, upon lands of diversified quality.

As shown by the Surveyor General's Report for 1867, page 11, the commissioners sold the remainder of the land-scrip, amounting to five hundred and twenty thousand acres, at from fifty-five to sixty-five cents per acre, aggregating $288,186 80. This, with the $151,136, realized from sales under the acts of 1863 and 1866, made the total proceeds of the sale of the land-scrip $439,186 80. This money was invested by the commissioners as follows:

For experimental farms,	$43,886 50
For public bonds,	381,500 00
Premiums paid on bonds,	13,800 30
	$439,186 80

The sum of $43,886 50, appropriated for experimental farms, was expended, as appears by the report of the Surveyor General for 1868, page 11, as follows:

February 12, 1868, amount paid for farm in Chester county,	$16,750 00
April 23, 1868, amount paid for farm in Centre county,	8,000 00
April 23, 1868, amount paid for farm in Indiana county,	18,136 50
	$43,886 50

Very much has been said as to the management of the sale of the land-scrip, and accusations have at various times been made that this management was not only injudicious, but also corrupt, by reason of which the amount realized from the sales was far less than it should have been. By some, the trustees of the college have been held responsible for this alleged mismanagement. It might be a sufficient reply to this to say, that neither the trustees of the college nor any of its officers had any voice in the matter, but that the sales were conducted by a commission appointed by the Legislature, consisting of three of the principle officers of the Commonwealth, and that the college has been the only sufferer by this mismanagement. That there was great mismanagement is undoubtedly true, but it is not to be charged even to the commission appointed to conduct and manage the sales. The default was in the Legislature itself. Had the proper and necessary powers been given to the commission by the act of April 1, 1863, to have enabled it to advertise the land-scrip, and thus put it upon the market at once, a much larger price would no doubt have been received for it, and the college would have received the the interest for three or four years, which was entirely lost by the delay. In the annual report of the Surveyor General for 1871, page 11, that officer recommends the sale of the public bonds held by the commission, the covering the proceeds into the State treasury, and the issuing to the college the bond of the State for $500,000. In support of this recommendation, he says:

"It is a well known fact, however, that the State did not enact any *efficient* legislation looking to the sale of the land-scrip, until nearly

four years after the passage of the act of Congress donating the same, and not until many of the other States had disposed of a large portion of their scrip, thereby, in a great measure, supplying the demand and stocking the market with it, so that the price had fallen off about fifty per cent., with a further downward tendency. before the necessary legislation was had, and which then only provided for the sale of one third of the scrip held by the State. * * * * Thus it may be fairly inferred, that for the want of prompt action by the Legislature, the fund is not as large as it should have been, and the college endowed by it has not derived the aid it should have received from the interest on the fund for four or five years."

In accordance with the recommendation of the Surveyor General, an act was passed, which was approved April 3, 1872; by which the Surveyor General was directed to sell all the public stocks and bonds held by the land scrip commission, and pay the proceeds into the State treasury. A bond of the State for $500,000, payable fifty years after date, was directed to be issued to the State College, which bond was to be held by the State Treasurer, who was to pay the interest thereon annually to the college. In pursuance of this act, the securities held by the commissioners were sold, and the proceeds, amounting to $410,290 50, paid into the State treasury, and a single bond of the State for $500,000, payable fifty years after date, was given to the college. This bond, which bears interest at six per centum, payable semi-annually, constituted the endowment fund of the college. By this change of securities the State ostensibly added $89,709 50 to the permanent endowment fund, but in reality only made up a small portion of the loss which the college had sustained by reason of the default of the Legislature in not promptly enacting the proper and necessary legislation to enable the land scrip to be sold at an early day, and for a good price.

By a decree of the court of common pleas of Centre county made on the 26th day of January, 1874, the name of the institution was again changed from the "Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," to that of "The Pennsylvania State College." And by another decree of the same court, made November 22, 1875, the charter was so amended as to add the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Secretary of Internal Affairs, the Adjutant General, and the President of Franklin Institute of Philadelphia, as *ex-officio* members of the board of trustees, allowing the alumni of the college to elect three members of the board, and adding three other members, to be elected by the general convention of electors. Delegates from each county mechanical society, as well as from county agricultural societies, were made electors of trustees. By this change in the charter,

the whole number of trustees was increased from thirteen to twenty-three, and the mechanical interests of the State were to be represented as fully as the agricultural.

By an act approved June 12, 1878, the Legislature appropriated $80,000 to pay off the mortgage debt of the college which had been created by the act of 1866. None of this appropriation, however, has yet been paid, but probably soon will be. When it is paid the college will be relieved from the burden of paying $5,600 per annum interest, which it has been compelled to do since the completion of the college buildings.

One of the most serious complaints made by the legislative committee, was that the title to all the real estate was in the corporation, or, as they expressed it, in the trustees, and not in the State. The college is a corporation created by the Legislature itself, and all the real estate it owns it acquired without any appropriation for that purpose from the State treasury. It is true the State might have established a college, without the forms of a corporation, to have been managed directly by state officers, and all expenditures on its account payable directly out of the of the State treasury, but this would have been hardly practical, and the management of the institution would then have been liable to change with every political change occurring in the State. The evil effect of this upon the permanent interest of the institution has been demonstrated by the experience of the Ohio State University, where the entire board of trustees has been changed five times in a few years. But whether the plan adopted by the Legislature of Pennsylvania is the best one which could be devised, is not now a practical question. The State did create the corporation and directed it to acquire the land and erect the buildings, which have been done.

The legislative committee also charges that the college has received from the General and State Governments, enormous sums of money, aggregating over $1,300,000, and that no adequate results have been achieved. This statement is wholly a mistake, as will appear by reference to the legislation already referred to, which shows the whole of the appropriations, as follows:

Appropriation by act, May 20, 1857, ...	$ 50,000 00
" " " April 18, 1861, ...	49,900 00
" " " 1878, ...	80,000 00
Amount added to the endowment April 3, 1872, . .	89,709 50
Total State appropriations, ...	$279,609 50

Of this the State has only paid the annual interest upon the latter

item of $89,709 50, and will not pay the principal until fifty years after the appropriation was made; and no part of the appropriation of $80,000 made in 1878 has yet been paid. The total proceeds of the sale of the land scrip, as before stated, was $439.186 80, which, of course, is included in the state bond of $500,000, now held by the college.

Instead of the college having had large funds with which to do the work proposed for it, the State has kept it so poor as to cripple its efforts and retard its progress from the day of its incorporation. Many things are now needed for the successful operation of the college which cannot be had for want of funds, such as mechanical shops, machinery, and tools, additional apparatus in the laboratories, a green house, commencement hall, additions to the libraries, improvements on the experimental farms, &c. If the State would keep her faith pledged to the General Government she must put this college upon a footing that it can answer the purposes of its creation.

We have appended to this, all the acts of the Legislature relating to the college, the act of Congress donating the and scrip, the different decrees of the Court amending the charter of the college, and the full minutes of the proceedings of the commission appointed by the Legislature to sell the land scrip, in order that all who desire to be informed as to the history of the college may have the information in a covenient form.

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HARRISBURG, PA., *January* 22, 1880.

APPENDIX.

LAW OF CONGRESS.

An act donating public lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be granted to the several States, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, an amount of public land, to be appropriated to each State a quantity equal to thirty thousand acres for each senator and representative in Congress to which the States are respectively entitled by the apportionment under the census of eighteen hundred and sixty: *Provided*, That no mineral lands shall be selected or purchased under the provision of this act.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the land aforesaid, after being surveyed, shall be apportioned to the several States in sections or sub-divisions of sections, not less than one quarter of a section; and whenever there are public lands in a State subject to sale at private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, the quantity to which said State shall be entitled shall be selected from such lands within the limits of such State, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to issue to each of the States in which there is not the quantity of public lands subject to sale at private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, to which said State may be entitled under the provisions of this act, land scrip to the amount in acres for the deficiency of its distributive share: said scrip to be sold by said States and the proceeds thereof applied to the uses and purposes prescribed in this act, and for no other use or purpose whatsoever: *Provided*, That in no case shall any State to which land scrip may thus be issued be allowed to locate the same within the limits of any other State, or of any Territory of the United States, but their assignees may thus locate said land scrip upon any of the unappropriated lands of the United States subject to sale at private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents, or less, per acre: *And provided, further*, That not more than one million acres shall be located by such assignees in any one of the States: *And provided, further*,

That no such location shall be made before one year from the passage of this act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all the expenses of management, superintendence, and taxes from date of selection of said lands, previous to their sales, and all expenses incurred in the management and disbursement of the moneys which may be received therefrom, shall be paid by the States to which they may belong, out of the treasury of said States, so that the entire proceeds of the sale of said lands shall be applied without any diminution whatever to the purposes hereinafter mentioned.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That all moneys derived from the sale of the lands aforesaid by the States to which the lands are apportioned, and from the sales of land scrip hereinbefore provided for, shall be invested in stocks of the United States, or of the States, or some other safe stocks, yielding not less than five per centum upon the par value of said stocks; and that the moneys so invested shall constitute a perpetual fund, the capital of which shall remain forever undiminished, (except so far as may be provided in section fifth of this act,) and the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated, by each State which may take and claim the benefit of this act, to the endowment, support, and maintenance of at least one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the Legislatures of the States may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classess in the several pursuits and professions in life.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the grant of land and land scrip hereby authorized shall be made on the following conditions, to which, as well as to the provisions hereinbefore contained, the previous assent of the several States shall be signified by legislative acts:

First. If any portion of the fund invested, as provided by the foregoing section, or any portion of the interest thereon, shall, by any action or contingency, be diminished or lost, it shall be replaced by the State to which it belongs, so that the capital of the fund shall remain forever undiminished; and the annual interest shall be regularly applied without diminution to the purposes mentioned in the fourth section of this act, except that a sum, not exceeding ten per centum upon the amount received by any State under the provisions of this act, may be expended for the purchase of lands for sites or experimental farms, whenever authorized by the respective Legislatures of said States.

Second. No portion of said fund, nor the interest thereon, shall be applied, directly or indirectly, under any pretense whatever, to the purchase, erection, preservation, or repair of any building or buildings.

Third. Any State which may take and claim the benefit of the provisions of this act shall provide, within five years, at least not less than one college, as described in the fourth section of this act, or the grant to such State shall cease; and said State shall be bound to pay the United States the amount received of any lands previously sold, and that the title to purchasers under the State shall be valid.

Fourth. An annual report shall be made regarding the progress of each college, recording any improvements and experiments made, with their cost and results, and such other matters, including State industrial and economical statistics, as may be supposed useful; one copy of which shall be transmitted by mail free, by each, to all the other colleges which may be endowed under the provisions of this act, and also one copy to the Secretary of the Interior.

Fifth. When lands shall be selected from those which have been raised to double and minimum price, in consequence of railroad grants, they shall be computed to the States at the maximum price, and the number of acres proportionally diminished.

Sixth. No State while in a condition of rebellion or insurrection against the Government of the United States shall be entitled to the benefit of this act.

Seventh. No State shall be entitled to the benefits of this act unless it shall express its acceptance thereof by its Legislature within two years from the date of its approval by the President.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That land scrip issued under the provisions of this act shall not be subject to location until after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the land officers shall receive the same fees for locating land scrip issued under the provisions of this act as is now allowed for the location of military bounty land warrants under existing laws: *Provided*, Their maximum compensation shall not be thereby increased.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the Governors of the several States to which scrip shall be issued under this act shall be required to report annually to Congress all sales made of such scrip until the whole shall be disposed of, the amount received for the same, and what appropriation has been made of the proceeds.

APPROVED, July 2, 1862.

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA.

An act to incorporate the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That there be and is hereby enacted, and is established at the place which shall be designated by the authority, and as hereinafter provided, an institution for the education of youth in the various branches of science, learning and practical agriculture, as they are connected with each other, by the name, style and title of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania."

SECTION 2. That the said institution shall be under the management and government of a board of trustees, thirteen of whom shall be a quorum, competent to perform the duties hereinafter authorized and required.

SECTION 3. That the president and vice president of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the presidents of the several county agricultural societies which shall at any time have been organized more than one year, shall be ex-officio members of, and constitute the board of trustees; which said trustees, and their successors in office, are hereby enacted and declared to be a body politic and corporate in law, with perpetual succession, by the name, style and title of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania;" by which name and title the said trustees and their successors shall be able and capable in law to take, by gift, grant, sale or conveyance, by bequest, devise or otherwise, any estate in any lands, tenements and hereditaments, goods, chattels, or effects, and at pleasure to alien or otherwise dispose of the same to and for the uses and purposes of the said institution: *Provided, however*, That the annual income of the said estates so held shall at no time exceed twenty-five thousand dollars; and the said corporation shall, by the same name, have the power to sue and be sued, and generally to do and transact all and every business touching or concerning the premises, or which shall be necessarily incidental thereto, and to hold, enjoy, and exercise all such powers, authorities, and jurisdiction, as are customary in the colleges within this Commonwealth.

SECTION 4. That the same trustees shall cause to be made a seal, with such devices as they may think proper, and by and with which

all the deeds, diplomas, certificates and acts of the institution shall be authenticated, and they may at their pleasure alter the same.

SECTION 5. That on the second Thursday of June, after the passage of this act, the board of trustees who are hereby appointed, shall meet at Harrisburg, and proceed to the organization of the institution and selection of the most eligible site within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for its location, when they shall purchase or obtain by gift, grant or otherwise, a tract of land containing at least two hundred acres, upon which they shall procure such improvements and alterations to be made as will make it an institution properly adapted to the instruction of youth in the art of farming, according to the meaning and design of this act; they shall select and choose a principal for the institution—who, with such scientific attainments and capacity to teach, as the board shall deem necessary, shall be a good practical farmer; he, with such other persons as shall from time to time be employed as teachers, shall compose the faculty, under whose control the immediate management of the institution, and the instruction of all the youth committed to its care, shall be subject, however, to the revision and all orders of the board of trustees. There shall be a quarterly meeting of the board of trustees at the institution, and as much oftener as shall be necessary, and they shall determine. The board shall have power to pass all such by-laws, ordinances, and rules as the good government of the institution shall require, and therein to prescribe what shall be taught to and what labor performed by the pupils; and generally to do and perform all such administrative acts as are usually performed by and within the appropriate duty of a board of trustees, and shall, by a secretary of their appointment, keep a minute of the proceedings and action of the board.

SECTION 6. That it shall be the duty of the board of trustees as soon, and as often as the exigencies of the institution shall require, in addition to the principal, to employ such other professors, teachers or tutors as shall be qualified to impart to pupils under their charge a knowledge of the English language, grammar, geography, history, mathematics, chemistry and such other branches of the natural and exact sciences as will conduce to the proper education of a farmer; the pupils shall themselves, at such proper times and seasons, as shall be prescribed by the board of trustees, perform all the labor necessary in the cultivation of the farm; and shall thus be instructed and taught all things necessary to be known by a farmer, it being the design and intention of this law to establish an institution in which youth may be so educated as to fit them for the occupation of a farmer.

SECTION 7. The board of trustees shall annually elect a treasurer who shall receive and disburse the funds of the institution and per-

from such other duties as shall be required of him; and from whom they shall take such security for the faithful performance of his duty as necessity shall require; and it shall be the duty of the said board of trustees annually on or before the first of December, to make out a full and detailed account of the operations of the institution for the preceding year and an account of all its receipts and disbursements and report the same to the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, who shall embody said report in the annual report, which, by existing laws, the said society is bound to make and transmit to the Legislature on or before the first Monday of January of each and every year.

SECTION 8. That it shall be lawful for the Pennsylvania State Agriculture Society to appropriate, out of their funds, to the objects of this act the sum of ten thousand dollars whenever the same shall be required, and to make such further appropriations annually out of their funds as will aid in the prosecution of this object, and it shall be the duty and privilege of this society, at such times as they shall deem expedient by their committees, officers, or otherwise to visit the said institution and examine into the details of its management.

APPROVED—The 13th day of April, A. D. 1854.

An act to incorporate the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That there be and is hereby erected and established, at the place which shall be designated by the authority, and as hereinafter provided, an institution for the education of youth in the various branches of science, learning, and practical agriculture, as they are connected with each other, by the name, style, and title of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania.

SECTION 2. That the said institution shall be under the management and government of a board of trustees, of whom there shall be thirteen, and seven of whom shall be a quorum, competent to perform the duties hereinafter authorized and required.

SECTION 3. That the Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, the president of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the principal of the institution, shall each be *ex-officio* a member of the board of trustees, and they, with Dr. Alfred L. Elwyn and Algernon S. Roberts, of the city of Philadelphia, H. N. McAllister, of the county of Centre; R. C. Walker, of the county Allegheny; James Miles, of the county of Erie; John Strohm, of the county of Lancas-

ter; A. O. Hiester of the county of Dauphin; William Jessup, of the county of Susquehanna, and Frederick Watts, of the county of Cumberland, shall constitute the first board of trustees; which said trustees and their successors in office, are hereby erected and declared to be a body politic and corporate in law, with perpetual succession, by the name, style, and title of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, by which name and title the said trustees, and their successors, shall be able and capable in law to take by gift, grant, sale, or conveyance, by bequest, devise, or otherwise, any estate in any lands, tenements, and hereditaments, goods, chattles, or effects, and at pleasure to alien or otherwise dispose of the same to and for the use and purpose of the said institution: *Provided, however,* That the annual income of the said estate so held, shall at no time exceed twenty-five thousand dollars; and the said corporation shall, by the same name, have power to sue and be sued, and generally to do and transact all and every business touching or concerning the premises, or which shall be necessarily incidental thereto, and to hold, enjoy, and exercise all such powers, authorities, and jurisdiction as are customary within the colleges within this Commonwealth.

SECTION 4. That the same trustees shall cause to be made a seal, with such device as they may think proper, and by and with which all the deeds, diplomas, certificates, and acts of the institution shall be authenticated, and they may at their pleasure alter the same.

SECTION 5. That at the first meeting of the board of trustees, the nine named, who are not *ex-officio* members shall, by themselves and by lot, be divided into three classes of three each, numbered one, two, and three; the appointment hereby made of class number one, shall terminate on the first Monday of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six; number two on the first Monday of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, and number three on the first Monday of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight; and upon the termination of such office of such directors, to wit; On the first Monday of October in every year an election shall be held at the institution to supply their place, and such election shall be determined by the votes of the members of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and the votes of three rep resentatives duly chosen by each county agricultural society in this Commonwealth which shall have been organized at least three months preceeding the time of election, and it shall be the duty of said board of trustees to appoint two of their number as judges to hold such election, to receive and count the votes, and return the same to the board of trustees with their certificate of the number of votes cast,

and for whom, whereupon the said board shall determine who have received the highest number of votes, and who are thereby elected.

SECTION 6. That on the second Thursday of June after the passage of this act, the board of trustees, who are hereby appointed, shall meet at Harrisburg, and proceed to the organization of an institution and selection of the most eligible site within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for its location, where they shall purchase or obtain by gift, grant, or otherwise, a tract of land containing at least two hundred acres, and not exceeding two thousand acres, upon which they they shall procure such improvements and alterations to be made, as will make it an institution properly adapted to the instructions of youth in the art of farming according to the meaning and design of this act. They shall select and choose a principal for said institution who with such scientific attainments and capacity to teach as the Board shall deem necessary, shall be a good practical farmer; he with such other persons as shall, from time to time, be employed as teachers, shall comprise the faculty, under whose control the immediate management of the institution, and the instruction of all the youth committed to its care, shall be subject, however, to the revision and all the orders of the board of trustees; there shall be a quarterly meeting of the board of trustees at the institution, and as much oftener as shall be necessary, and they shall determine; the board shall have power to pass all such by-laws, ordinances, and rules as the good government of the institution shall require, and therein to prescribe what shall be taught to and what labor performed by the pupils, and generally to do and perform all such administrative acts as are usually performed by and within the appropriate duty of a board of trustees, and shall, by a secretary of their appointment, keep a minute of the proceedings and action of the board.

SECTION 7. That it shall be the duty of the board of trustees as soon and as often as the exigencies of the case may require, in addition to the principal, to employ such other professors, teachers, or tutors as shall be qualified to impart to pupils under their charge a knowledge of the English language, grammar, geography, history, mathematics, chemistry, and such other branches of natural and exact sciences as will conduce to the proper education of a farmer; the pupils shall, themselves, at such proper times and seasons as shall be prescribed by the board of trustees, perform all the labor necessary in the cultivation of the farm, and shall thus be instructed and taught all things necessary to be known by a farmer.

SECTION 8. That the board of trustees shall annully elect a treasurer, who shall receive and disburse the funds of the institution, and perform such other duties as shall be required of him, and from whom

they shall take such security for the faithful performance of his duty as necessity shall require; and it shall be the duty of said board of trustees annually on or before the first of December, to make out a full and detailed account of the operations of the institution for the preceding year, and an account of all its receipts and disbursements, and report the same to the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, who shall embody said report in the annual report which, by existing laws, the said society is bound to make, and transmit to the Legislature on or before the first Monday of January each and every year.

SECTION 9. That it shall be lawful for the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, to appropriate out of their funds to the object of this act, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, whenever the same shall be required, and to make such further appropriations annually, out of their funds, as will aid in the prosecution of this object, and it shall be the duty and privilege of said society, at such time as they shall deem expedient by their committees, officers or otherwise, to visit the said institution and examine into the details of its management.

SECTION 10. That the act to incorporate the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," approved the thirteenth day of April, Anno Domini on thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, be and the same is hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 22d day of February, A. D. 1855.

An act making an appropriation from the State treasury in aid of the Farmers' High School.

WHEREAS, The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania has secured from various sources, in aid of the object of the institution, in addition to two hundred acres of land donated, a fund of twenty-five thousand dollars:

SECTION 1. *Be it hereby enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated to the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, to be paid out of the moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That the admissions to said school from the several counties, shall be in proportion to their number of taxables respectively, if such number shall apply.

SECTION 2. That the further sum of twenty thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated to said institution, to be paid as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 3. That whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, that said high school shall have received from some other source or sources one thousand dollars or upwards, the State Treasurer shall pay to said school an equal sum, independent of the appropriation made in the first section, and so on until a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, in addition to the preceding appropriation, shall have been appropriated to said school: *Provided*, That the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars shall be subscribed within three years after the passage of this act.

SECTION 4. That the time fixed by the orignal act of incorporation of the Farmers' High School, for the annual meeting and election of the trustees and officers of the the said institution, be and the same is hereby changed so that the same shall hereafter be on the first Wednesday of September, in each year, instead of the time mentioned in the original act.

SECTION 5. There shall be established, in connection with the institution, an office where correct and perfect analysis shall be made, without charge, of all soils and manures which shall be sent by citizens of this Comonwealth for that purpose, and a correct report returned of the result of said analysis, accompanied with such information as may be useful in the case.

SECTION 6. That the said corporation shall furnish reports of the results of all experiments made with trees, shrubs, plants, seeds, soils, and breeding and rearing of stock, to at least one newspaper in each county in the Commonwealth for publication; the same to be furnished monthly, or immediately after the results of the investigations are known.

APPROVED—The 20th day of May, A. D. 1857.

An act relating to the trustees of the Farmers High School of Pennsylvania.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That at all future meetings of the board of trustees of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, five members thereof shall constitute a quorum competent for the transaction of business.

SECTION 2. That it shall be unlawful for the court of quarter sessions of Centre county to grant a license to any person or persons for the sale of ardent spirits or malt liquors, at any place within two miles of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, located in the said county.

SECTION 3. That the Superintendent of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital be and is hereby directed to deliver to the trustees of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, to be arranged for exhibition and use in the museum of the said school, the cabinets of mineralogical and geological specimens belonging to the State, which were placed in the care of the said superintendent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, in compliance with the resolution, approved the fifteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

APPROVED—The 17th day of March, A. D. 1859.

An act making an appropriation from the State treasury in the further aid of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, and to enable the trustees to complete the college buildings.

WHEREAS, The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, combining manual labor with the acquisition of scientific knowledge, has been in operation for two years, with over one hundred students, demonstrating by actual results the practicability and expediency of the union:

And whereas, The trustees, for want of the funds required to complete the whole, were compelled to suspend the work upon the center building, east wing, and curtain, constituting two-thirds of the college structure, leaving the walls of the same at the height of one-story, and much of the material prepared for the construction thereof in an exposed condition:

And whereas, Until the completion of the entire buildings, designed for the accommodation of four hundred students, this great enterprise of our age and country, now exciting a deep interest in many States, cannot be fairly tested; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the sum of forty-nine thousand nine hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania to be paid in eight quarterly payments as the work progresses, out of moneys in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, That before any part of this appropriation be drawn from the treasury, satisfactory evidence shall be produced to the Auditor General that the managers have entered into a contract with sufficient sureties that the buildings shall all be finished for the amount herein appropriated.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose of having the sum appropriated

by the provisions of this act properly applied to the completion of the buildings of the Farmers' High School, that Frederick Watts, Henry D. Moore, H. N. McAlister, Isaac W. Van Lear, and Gideon J. Ball, be appointed commissioners with instructions to report to the next Legislature.

APPROVED—The 18th day of April, A. D. 1861.

PETITION OF THE FARMERS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PENNSYLVANIA.

To the Honorable the judges of the court of quarter sessions of Centre county:

The petition of the board of trustees of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, respectfully represents, "That their Institution was incorporated by the act of the Legislature of Pennsylvania the 22d of February, 1855, by the name, style and title of the 'Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania,' and that they are desirous to change the name of the Institution as incorporated, whereby the same shall be forever hereafter called and known by the name, style, and title of 'The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania.' They therefore pray the court to make such order and decree in the premises as that the name of the corporation may be thus changed, in pursuance of the twelfth section of the act of 4th of April, 1843. And we as in duty bound will ever pray, &c."

By order of the board,

FREDERICK WATTS,
President.

Attest:—

MOSES THOMPSON, *Secretary.*

DECREE.

And now, May 1st, 1862, the within petition being read in open court, it is ordered in accordance with the prayer of the peritioners, that the name of the corporation within mentioned be changed to "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," and it is further ordered that the petition and this decree be filed in the office of the clerk of this court, and that it be entered at length upon the record of said court.

BY THE COURT.

An act to accept the grant of public lands by the United States to the several States, for the endowment of agricultural colleges.

WHEREAS, By an act of Congress, passed the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, a grant of land was made to the several States and Territories, which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, equal to thirty thousand acres for each Senator and Representative in Congress to which the States are respectively entitled, by the apportionment under the census of one thousand eight hundred and sixty, which act of Congress requires that the several States, in order to entitle them to the benefit of said grant, should, within two years from the date of this act, express their acceptance of the same:

And whereas, the Legislature of Pennsylvania has already shown its high regard for the agricultural interests of the State, by the establishment of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, and by making liberal appropriations thereto; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the act of Congress of the United States, passed the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, entitled "An act donating lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," be and the same is hereby accepted by the State of Pennsylvania, with all its provisions and conditions, and the faith of the State is hereby pledged to carry the same into effect.

SECTION 2. That the Surveyor General of the State of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized and required to do every act and thing necessary to entitle this State to its distributive share of land scrip, under the provisions of the said act of Congress, and when the said scrip is received by him, to dispose of the same, under such regulations as the board of commissioners hereafter appointed by this act shall prescribe.

SECTION 3. That the Governor, the Auditor General, and the Surveyor General are hereby constituted a board of commissioners, with full power and authority to make all needful rules and regulations respecting the manner in which the Surveyor General aforesaid shall dispose of the said land scrip, the investment of the proceeds thereof in the State stocks of this State, and apply interest arising therefrom as herein directed; and in general to do all and every act or acts necessary to carry into full effect the said act of Congress: *Provided*, That no investment shall be made in any other stocks than those of the United States or of this Commonwealth.

SECTION 4. That until otherwise ordered by the Legislature of Pennsylvania, the annual interest accruing from any investment of the funds acquired under the said act of Congress is hereby appropriated, and the said commissioners are directed to pay the same to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania for the endowment, support, and maintenance of said institution, which college is now in full and successful operation, and where the leading object is, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts.

SECTION 5. That the said Agricultural College of Pennsylvania shall, on or before the first day of February of each year, make a report to the Legislature of the receipts and expenditures of the said institution for the preceding year.

APPROVED—The 1st day of April, A. D. 1863.

A supplement to the act to accept the grant of public lands by the United States to the several States, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges, passed the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the third section of the act, entitled "An act to accept the grant of public lands, by the United States, to the several States, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," passed the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, shall be so construed as to authorize the Governor, Auditor General, and Surveyor General, as commissioners, in the performance of the duties devolved upon them by said act, to direct the payment of the expenses of disposing of the said land scrip, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That no more than one third of the distributive shares of the said land scrip, donated to this State, shall be sold under the provisions of this act.

SECTION 2. That the board of trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania be, and they are hereby authorized to borrow a sum of money not exceeding eighty thousand dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent., and taxes, with which to pay and consolidate all the debts of the institution, and to secure the same by a mortgage upon the property thereof.

APPROVED—The 11th day of April, A. D. 1866.

An act relating to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, and to the establishment of experimental farms in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, The trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, from the want of adequate funds, have deferred the establishment of the experimental farm contemplated in the original plan of the institution:

And whereas, To secure greater diversity of soil and climate, and add to the interests and importance of the experiments, it is thought best that three experimental farms should be established in Pennsylvania;

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the proviso to the first section of the act, entitled "A supplement to the act to accept the grant of public lands, by the United States, to the several States for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges, passed the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three," approved the eleventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, be and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That the one tenth part of the entire proceeds of the lands donated by Congress to the State of Pennsylvania, by the act of the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, in trust accepted by the act of the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, to which this is a supplement, be and the same is hereby appropriated, and the commissioners under the said act of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, are directed to pay the same to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, to be expended in the purchase of lands for experimental farms.

SECTION 3. That the interest and income of the entire residue of the proceeds of the said lands be and are hereby appropriated, and the commissioners under the said act, are hereby directed to pay the same as it shall accrue, to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania for the endowment, support, and maintenance thereof, on condition that the trustees establish, conduct, and maintain, in connection with the College, three experimental farms; one near the College, under the immediate supervision of the Professor of Agriculture in the institution, another east, and the other west, upon lands of diversified quality, under the immediate supervision, respectively, of an assistant professor of agriculture.

APPROVED—The 19th day of February, A. D. 1867.

DECREES OF THE COURT.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County:

The petition of the board of trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania respectfully showeth: That the said institution of learning was incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved the 22d day of February, A. D. 1855, under the name, style, and title of "The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania;" that by the same act of Assembly the time fixed for the annual election of the trustees of the said institution was fixed for the first Monday of October in every year, which time, by an act of the General Assembly, approved the 20th day of May, A. D. 1857, was changed to the first Wednesday of September in each year; that by a decree of the court of quarter sessions of the said county of Centre, upon the petition of the board of trustees of said institution of learning, the name thereof was changed, upon the first day of May A. D. 1862, from "The Framers' High School of Pennsylvania" to "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," by which latter name it has since been designated and known; your petitioners further represent that the name by which the said institution of learning is now known, to wit: "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," fails to convey or represent a proper idea of the scope of the instruction and the variety of branches taught therein; that instruction is given in the branches which relate to the mechanic arts, and to a thorough literary education, as well as those which relate to agriculture; and that in the opinion of your petitioners the name of said institution should more fully express its scope and purpose. Your petitioners further represent that the time fixed for the election of trustees in each year is inconvenient, and at a time when a meeting must be held especially for that purpose.

They exhibit herewith an acceptance of notice of this application from the Auditor General of Pennsylvania, and thereupon respectfully pray:

First: That the name of the said institution of learning may be altered and changed from "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," as it now is, to "The Pennsylvania State College.".

Second: That the time for holding the annual election for and annual meeting of the trustees at the institution be altered and changed

from the first Wednesday of September in each year as now by law established, to the Wednesday next preceding the last Friday of July in each year, the said last Friday of July being the immovable day in the college calendar closing the college year, and being in the week devoted to the annual public exercises of the college. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

On behalf and by direction of the board of trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania.

JAMES CALDER.
Secretary Trustees A. C. of Pa.

And now this 24th November, 1873, the court having heard the within petition, and it appearing to us that the request therein set forth and contained is lawful and not injurious to the community, said petition is directed to be filed in the office of the prothonotary of the court of common pleas, and notice is directed to be given by publication in one newspaper in said county for at least three weeks, setting forth that application had been made to said court to amend the charter of the said corporation, if no sufficient objection be made thereto.

By the court.

IN THE COMMON PLEAS OF CENTRE COUNTY.

In the matter of the petition praying for the amendment of the charter of the Agricultureal College of Pennsylvania:

And now this 26th day of January, A. D. 1874, the amendments proposed to the charter of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania having been heretofore, viz: on the 24th of November, 1873, filed in the prothonotary's office, and due notice inserted in a newspaper printed in said county, and notice having been giving the Auditor General of the State of Pennsylvania, as is directed by law; therefore, on motion of McAllister and Beaver, it is declared and decreed that the name of the said "Agricultural College of Pennsylvania" is changed to that of "The Pennsylvania State College, by which name it shall henceforth be known and designated; and also that the time for holding the annual election for, and meeting of the trustees of said college be changed from the first Wednesday of September, as by law now established; to the Wednesday next preceding the last Friday of July in each and every year; and further, that these proceedings shall be recorded in the recorder's office in said county.

By the court.

J. C. BUCHER, *P. J.*

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County:

The petition of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State College respectfully showeth: That the said institution of learning was incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved the twenty-second day of February, A. D. 1855, under the name, style, and title of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania;" that by the same act of Assembly, the time for the annual election of the trustees of the said institution was fixed for the first Monday of October, in every year; and it was further provided by the same act, "that such election shall be determined by the votes of the members of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society and the votes of three representatives duly chosen by each county agricultural society in this Commonwealth, which shall have been organized at least three months preceding the time of election;" that by the seventh section of the same act, it was further provided, "that the pupils shall, themselves, at such proper times and seasons as shall be prescribed by the board of trustees, perform all the labor necessary in the cultivation of the farm, and shall thus be instructed and taught all things necessary to be known by a farmer;" that by an act of the General Assembly, approved the twentieth day of May, A. D. 1857, the time for the election and annual meeting of the trustees was changed from the first Monday in October in every year, to first Wednesday of September in each year, which said act was further changed by a decree of your honorable court, dated the twenty-sixth day of January, A. D. 1874, to the Wednesday next preceding the last Friday of July, in each and every year; that by a decree of the court of quarter sessions of said county of Centre, dated the first day of May, A. D. 1862, the name of the said institution of learning was altered and changed from "The Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania," to "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," and that by the decree of your honorable court, dated the twenty-sixth day of January, A. D. 1874, aforementioned, the the name of the said institution of learning was altered and changed from "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania," to "The Pennsylvania State College," by which said name last above mentioned, it has since been and now is known and designated.

Your petitioners further show that by an act of the Congress of the United States. approved the 2d day of July, A. D. 1862, entitled "An act donating lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," which said act of Congress, in addition to donating lands

aforesaid provided, among other things, that in the colleges established under or accepting the provisions of the said act, "the leading subject shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the Legislature of the State may prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life; and which said act of Congress, by an act of General Assembly, approved the 1st day of April, A. D. 1863, was accepted by the State of Pennsylvania with all its provisions and conditions, and the faith of the State pledged to carry the same into effect; that by the fourth section of the said last mentioned act of Assembly it was further provided "that until otherwise ordered by the Legislature of Pennsylvania, the annual interest accruing from any investment of the funds acquired under the said act of Congress, is hereby appropriated, and the said commissioners are directed to pay the same to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, for the endowment, support, and maintenance of the said institution, which college is now in full and successful operation, and where the leading object is, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts;" and that by an act of the General Assembly, approved the nineteenth day of February, A. D. 1867, after providing for the establishment of experimental farms, it was provided by the third sec- of the said act, "that the interest and income of the entire residue of the proceeds of the said lands be and are hereby appropriated, and the commissioners under the said act are also hereby directed to pay the same as it shall accrue to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania for the endowment, support, and maintenance thereof, on condition the trustees establish, conduct, and maintain, in connection with the college, three experimental farms," &c. Your petitioners further showing that by recent action of the board of trustees of the said college, the academic year has been divided into three sessions instead of two, as formerly, and that the close of the said academic year has been fixed upon Friday next preceeding the fourth day of July in each year, and that the annual closing exercises of the institution take place upon the days next immediately preceding the close of the academic year, respectfully pray that the articles and conditions of the charter of the said institution of learning may be so changed, amended, improved, and altered as to conform to the altered conditions imposed upon the institution by the acceptance of the provisions of the act or Congress, approved the 2d day of July, A. D. 1862,

hereinbefore referred to, and the action of the board of trustees last above mentioned, and so that the same may hereafter be, until otherwise ordered, as follows, to wit:

First. That the time for holding the annual election for, and annual meeting of the trustees of the institution, be fixed for the Wednesday next preceding the Friday immediately preceding the fourth day of July in each and every year, instead of thee Wednesday next preceding the last Friday of July, as at present established.

Second. That the number of trustees of said institution be fixed at twenty-three instead of thirteen, as provided in the second section of the act of Assembly, approved the twenty-second day of February A. D. 1855, and that the said board of trustees be constituted as follows: The Governor, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the Secretary of Internal Affairs, the Adjutant General, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the president of the State Agricultural Society, the president of the Franklin Institute of Pennsylvania; and the president of the institution, shall be *ex-officio* members of the board; the remaining members, to wit: Fifteen shall be elected in manner following, to wit: Three by the alumni of the institution, and the remaining twelve by a body of electors composed of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, the managers of the Franklin Institute of Pennsylvania, three representatives duly chosen by each county agricultural society in this Commonwealth, which shall have been organized at least three months preceding the time of election, and three representatives duly chosen by each association, not exceeding one in each county of the Commonwealth, which shall have for its principal object the promotion and encouragement of the mining and manufacturing interests of the Commonwealth and the mechanic and useful arts, and which shall, in like manner, have been organized at least three months preceding the time of election.

Third. That at the election to be held under the provisions of the preceding paragraph, in the year, A. D. 1876, the alumni be authorizied to elect three trustees, one to serve for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and that annually thereafter, the said alumni be authorized and empowered to elect one trustee in place of the one whose term of office shall expire, to serve for the period of three years; and that the other electors referred to in the second paragraph, or so many of them as shall be present at the institution at the annual meeting in the year A. D. 1876, be authorized and empowered to elect three trustees in addition to the three whose term of office shall then expire, one of which additional trustees to be elected to serve one year, one for two years, and one

for three years; and that annually thereafter, the said electors be authorized and empowered to elect four trustees, instead of three as at present, to serve for the period of three years, and that all elections be directed to be held at the institution by so many of the electors and alumni above mentioned as shall be present at the regular time for holding elections, under the direction of the board of trustees and by ballot, as now provided by law.

Fourth. That in addition to the annual meeting of the board of trustees at the institution, such other meetings be authorized as may be fixed by the board by their adjournment from time to time, or be called by the authority of the president and secretary, in which latter case printed or written notice shall be given to each and every member of the board at least ten days prior to the time of meeting, which said meetings shall take place and be in lieu of those provided by the sixth section of the act of the twenty-second of February, A. D. 1855; also, that all meetings of the board of trustees as aforesaid, five members thereof shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, as now provided by the first section of the act of Assembly approved the 17th day of March, A. D. 1859.

Fifth. That so much of the seventh section of the act of Assembly, approved the twenty-second day of February, A. D. 1855, as provides "that the pupils shall themselves, at such proper times and seasons as shall be prescribed by the board of trustees, perform all the labor necessary in the cultivation of the farm, and shall thus be instructed and taught all things necessary to be known by a farmer, it being the design and intention of this act to establish an institution in which youth may be so educated as to fit them for the occupation of a farmer," be so changed and modified as to require the students of the said institution to perform so much labor as shall from time to time be prescribed by the board of trustees, and shall best carry out the design of the institution in promoting "the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life."

On behalf of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State College.

JAMES A. BEAVER,
President of the Board.
JAMES CALDER,
Secretary of the Board.

SEAL OF PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE. 1859.

And now this 18th day of October, 1875, the court having perused and examined the within instrument, and it appearing to us that the improvements, alterations, and amendments therein set forth and con-

tained are lawful, beneficial and not injurious to the community, said instrument is directed to be filed in the office of the prothonotary of the court of common pleas, and notice is ordered to be given by publication in one newspaper in said county, for at least three weeks, setting forth that application has been made to the said court to grant the improvements, alterations, and amendments founded thereon, and that if no objection be made thereto, the same shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the instrument upon which said corporation was formed and established—to all intents and purposes as if the same had originally been made a part thereof.

By the court.

C. A. M.
P. J.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CENTRE.

In the matter of the petition of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State College, for the amendment of their charter: And now this 22d day of November, A. D. 1875, the petition of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State College for the amendment of the charter of the said institution, having been heretofore, to wit: on the eighteenth day of October, A. D. 1875, filed in the office of the prothonotary of the said court, and due notice having been inserted in a newspaper, printed in said county, in due conformity to the law; therefore, on motion of McAllister and Beaver, it is declared and decreed, that the several changes, alterations, and amendments in the said petition set forth and contained, shall become and be a part of the charter of the said institution. * * * *

And it is further ordered and decreed that the said charter as amended shall be recorded in the office for recording of deeds in and for said county, and on said instrument being so recorded, the several alterations and amendments shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the charter of the said institution.

By the court.

C. A. M.
P. J.

An act appropriating money for the payment of a mortgage given by the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania and of the bonds secured thereby.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, &c.*, That the sum of eighty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the State

treasury, for the purpose of paying off and extinguishing the mortgage given by the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania to Edward C. Humes and A. O. Heister in trust, and to secure the payment of eighty thousand dollars of bonds therein specified; said mortgage being dated the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and recorded in Centre county, in mortgage book F. one hundred and nineteen to one hundred and twenty-four, inclusive: *Provided*, That but forty thousand dollars shall be paid in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and the other forty thousand in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

SECTION 2. That upon the payment of the said sum of eighty thousand dollars, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the State Treasurer, without delay, to certify the fact of such payment under his hand and seal of office to the recorder of deeds of said county of Centre, who shall thereupon enter satisfaction on said mortgage, and record said certificate as evidence of his authority therefor.

SECTION 3. The State Treasurer shall not disburse any of the moneys herein appropriated, until satisfactory proof has been made to him that the following reductions have been made in the salaries of all officers and employès engaged in said institution, namely: Ten per centum on all salaries between eight hundred dollars and fifteen hundred dollars, and fifteen per centum on all salaries over fifteen hundred dollars.

APPROVED—The 12th day of June, A. D. 1878.

J. F. HARTRANFT.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

HARRISBURG, *July* 14, 1864.

In pursuance of the act of Assembly of the 1st of April, 1863, entitled "An act to accept the grant of public lands by the United States to the several States for the endowment of agricultural colleges," the board of commissioners was convened at the chamber of the Governor in Harrisburg.

There were present His Exellency A. G. Curtin, Governor, and James P. Barr Esq., Surveyor General.

It being represented to the commission that the scrip to this State by the Government of the United States had been received, it becomes necessary to make such disposition of it as is required by the provisions of the act of Congress of the 2d July 1862.

Whereupon the following was agreed to:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the third section of the act of Assembly, the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted:

1. That it is expedient immediately to dispose of the land scrip donated by Congress, that the proceeds thereof may be funded for the purpose provided by law.

2. That the Surveyor General is hereby directed to appoint an agent whose duty it shall be to make such arrangements for the sale of the said scrip as may be deemed adequate for the attainment of the object, reporting his action for the approval of this board.

3. When the action of the agent shall have been approved by the board, and the scrip or any part thereof shall have been sold, and the price paid to the State therefor, the Surveyor General is directed to issue and deliver from time to time the said scrip to the purchaser or purchasers.

4. When such payments shall have been made, the same shall be invested as they accrue in the stocks of the State of Pennsylvania.

5. The interest which shall arise from such investments shall be paid over to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, in pursuance of the third section of the act of Assembly.

On motion, the board adjourned to meet at the Surveyor General's office, on Tuesday, the 2d day of August next, at ten o'clock, A. M.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, *2d August*, 1864.

The board of commissioners met, pursuant to adjournment.

Members present, Governor A. G. Curtin and Surveyor General James P. Barr. Evidence of notices having been served on the Auditor General, Isaac Slenker was received and accepted.

The Surveyor General appointed, agreeably to the rules provided, Professor William H. Allen, president of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, to make arrangements for the sale of the land scrip, and Lewis U. Stout, secretary.

On motion adjourned.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, *December* 1, 1864.

The commissioners for the sale, &c., of land scrip met at this office. Present, His Excellency A. G. Curtin, Governor, and Hon. James P. Barr, Surveyor General. A written notice to Auditor General Isaac Slenker, of the time and place of meeting, and the acceptance thereof by him ,was presented and filed.

The proposals received for the purchase of land scrip were opened and examined, and, on motion, the board adjourned, to meet at this office, on Monday, the 5th day of December instant.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, *December* 5, 1864.

The commissioners, in pursuance of an adjournment, met and decided to accept the following proposals, viz:

Samuel Lynn, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	1	quar. sect.	at 85	cts. per acre.
Jas. Gordon, of Zion, Centre co., Pa.,	8	"	"	"
Edmund Blanchard, Bellefonte, Pa.,	8	"	"	"
R. H. Duncan, of Spring Mills, Pa.,	8	"	"	"
James McMannus, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	2	"	"	"
E. W. Hale, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	8	"	"	"
James T. Hale, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	8	"	"	"
E. C. Humes, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	8	"	"	"
Wm. Allison, of Potter's Mills, Pa.,	8	"	"	"
H. N. McCallister and James Beaver, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	16	"	"	"
Wm. P. Wilson, of Bellefonte, Pa.,	1	"	"	"
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It was further agreed by the board that eighty-five cents per acre should be the minimum price at which any of the scrip shall be sold, and that at that price the same may be issued on written application until further action of the board. Adjourned.

December 17, 1864.

The written proposal of Jacob S. Ahl, of Boalsburg, Pennsylvania, offering to take one tract of one hundred and sixty acres, and also the proposal of John Irwin, jr., of Howard, Centre county, Pennsylvania, offering to take two tracts at eighty-five cents per acre.

These two bidders were notified of the acceptance of their bids by Mr. Allen.

Same day all the bidders whose proposals have been accepted, were notified by mail to pay the one fourth of the purchase money within ten days from date of notice, and the remainder on the delivery of the scrip.

December 24, 1864.

Received the following payments:

McAllister and Beaver, one fourth,	$544
December 27, 1864, received of—	
E. W. Hale,	$272
John Irwin, jr.,	68
December 28, 1864, received of—	
E. C. Humes,	$272
William Allison,	272
James Gordon,	272

January 5, 1865.

The Surveyor General addressed the following communication to Hon. J. M. Edmunds, Commissioner of the General Land Office, Washington city, D. C., and inclosed a copy of the act of Assembly therein referred to:

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,
SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, *January* 5, 1865.

Sir: In pursuance of an act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, entiled "An act donating public lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," I herewith forward to be filed in the General Land Office, a certified copy of an act of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to accept the grant of public lands

by the United States, for the endowment of agricultural colleges," approved the first day of April, A. D. 1863.

I am, very respectfully your obedient servent,

JAMES P. BARR, *S. G.*

Hon. J. M. EDMUNDS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office, Washington city.

January 11, 1865, received of—

"	McAllister and Beaver,	$1,632
"	Jacob S. Awl,	136
"	21, John Irwin, jr.,	204
"	E. C. Humes,	816
"	William Allison,	816
"	E. W. Hale,	816

January 21, 1865

Issued scrip numbered from one to fifty-two, inclusive, as follows:

McAllister and Beaver,	Nos.	1—16=16	scrips.
E. W. Hale,	"	17—24= 8	"
E. C. Humes,	"	25—32= 8	"
William Allison,	"	33—40= 8	"
Jacob S. Awl,	"	41 = 1	"
John Irwin, jr.,	"	42—43= 2	"
William P. Wilson,	"	44 = 1	"

February 17, 1865, issued the following scrip:

James Gordon,	Nos,	45—52= 8	scrips.

Received balance $816.

May 5, 1865.

At a full meeting of the board held at the Auditor General's Office, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the Surveyor General is hereby directed to advertise the sale of the lands donated, at the expense and under such arrangements as he deems proper to make with the Agricultural College. The advertisement to be put in two papers in Harrisburg, at least two in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and in every county and city where there is a college or university. No bid to be considered which is under seventy-five cents per acre.

On motion, the board adjourned.

May 11, 1865.

Received the following payments:

E. C. Humes and Adam Hoy, administrators of James T. Hale, deceased, paid $1,088.

Same day issued scrip to them, Nos. 53 to 60 inclusive.

June 13, 1865.

Received of William P. Wilson $136, and delivered one scrip, No. 44.

June 21, 1865.

Received of Edmund Blanchard, $1,088.

Same day issued him scrip from Nos. 61 to 68, inclusive.

Received of Samuel Lynn $136, and issued one scrip No. 69.

Received of R. H. Duncan $1,088, and issued eight scrips, Nos. 70 to 77 inclusive.

June 22, 1865.

The board of commissioners met at the Surveyor General's office, in pursuance of an advertisement published by direction of the resolution passed the 5th day of May last, and opened the bids received for the land scrip.

The following bids were accepted, and notice given to the parties to make payment:

Geo. F. McFarland, Harrisburg,	2	scrips	@ 75	cts. per acre.
Parly Coburn, Harrisburg,	2	"	75	"
Abraham Hoover, West Fairview,	1	"	80	"
L. A. Tucker, Rockdale, Pa.,	1	"	80	"
David, Pollock, Maysville, Mercer co.,	1	"	87½	"
Forney & Bro., Harrisburg,	6	"	80	"
Charles P. Coburn, Harrisburg,	4	"	75	"
John H. Merllison, Co. H, 190 P. V.,	1	"	101½	"
John H. Merllison, Co. H, 190 P. V.,	1	"	80½	"

On motion, resolved, that the Surveyor General or the president of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, be authorized to accept all the bids made at seventy five cents per acre, or such amount as may be offered exceeding that. Adjourned.

SCRIP ISSUED.

July 5, 1865, issued to Forney & Brother six scrips, No. 78 to 83, inclusive.

July 6, 1865, issued to Abraham Hoover one scrip, No. 84.

Same day, issued to Parley Coburn two scrips, Nos. 85 and 86.

July 8, 1865, issued to Charles B. Coburn four scrips, Nos. 87 to 90, inclusive.

July 12, 1865, issued to George F. McFarland two scrips, Nos. 91 and 92.

August 12, 1865, issued to George Thomas one scrip, No. 93, at $1 per acre.

August 22, 1865, issued to George M. Young one scrip, No. 94, at 80 cents per acre.

September 2, 1865, issued to Richard Morely one scrip, No. 95.

September 23, 1865, issued four scrips, Nos. 96 to 99, inclusive, to Charles B. Coburn, at 75 cents per acre.

September 23, 1865, issued six scrips to Wm. H. Allen, Nos. 100 to 105, inclusive, at 75 cents per acre.

September 23, 1865, issued six scrips, to A. O. Hiester, Nos. 106 to 111, inclusive, at 75 cents per acre.

September 28, 1865, issued four scrips to Andrew Reed, Nos. 112 to 115, inclusive, at 75 cents per acre.

September 28, 1865, issued eight scrips to Wm. Allison, Nos. 116 to 123, inclusive, at 75 cents per acre.

November 6, 1865, issued four scrips to Hon. Daniel Kaine, Nos. 124 to 127, inclusive, at seventy-five cents per acre.

November 6, 1865, issued six scrips to Alfred Howell, Nos. 128 to 133, inclusive, at seventy-five cents per acre.

November 6, 1865, issued eight scrips to J. Skiles, jr., Nos. 134 to 141, inclusive, at seventy-five cents per acre.

April 14, 1866, issued six scrips to Stephens and Miller, Neosho, Newton county, Missouri, Nos. 142 to 147, inclusive, at seventy-five cents per acre,

April 25, 1866, issued one scrip to John Scherick, of Lisburn, Cumberland county, Penn'a, No. 148, at seventy-five cents per acre.

HARRISBURG, PA., *May* 10, 1866.

Board of commissioners for the sale of "agricultural land scrip," met at the office of the State Agricultural Society.

Members present: A. G. Curtin, Governor and *ex-officio* presi-

dent; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

Surveyor General Campbell reported the fact that the minute book and papers of the board, had been taken away by the former clerk, and that no record or papers of the board remained in his office.

On motion, it was resolved that Surveyor General Campbell and William H. Allen be and they are hereby authorized and requested to proceed at once to Philadelphia and New York, for the purpose of negotiating the sale of land scrip.

The board adjourned to the office of the State Treasurer, for the purpose of ascertaining what amount of land scrip had been withdrawn from the vault, and what amount of bonds or other securities belonging to the board had been deposited there.

Board met at the office of the State Treasurer, where, upon examination, they found that (167) one hundred and sixty-seven quarter sections had been taken from the package of land scrip, and that there was deposited to the credit of the board, two packages purporting to contain respectively $12,300 and $5,800 in State bonds.

On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, PA., *May* 23, 1866.

The commissioners for sale, &c. of agricultural land scrip met at this office.

Members present: A. G. Curtin, Governor and *ex-efficio* president; J. F. Hartranft; Auditor General, J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

Letter from William H. Allen, reporting result of negotiations for sale of land scrip in Philadelphia and New York was read. Mr. Campbell reported verbally that the only responsible proposition, worthy of being entertained, was an informal one from Jay Cooke, of Philadelphia; when, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Surveyor General be authorized to write to Jay Cooke for a formal proposition for the purchase of two hundred and thirty-three thousand acres.

Mr. Stout, former clerk, not having yet returned the books and papers of the board, Gov. Curtin was requested to write to Mr.

Barr, late Surveyor General, notifying him of the fact, and of his responsibility in the matter. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

HARRISBURG, PA., *June* 14, 1866.

Board of commissioners met in the office of the Surveyor General.

Present: A. G. Curtin, Governor and *ex-officio* president; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

Governor Curtin reported that he had written to Mr. Barr, late Surveyor General, in reference to the books and papers of the board, and that Mr. Barr informed him the books would be returned, and that the amount due the Board, would be subject to their draft on the First National Bank of Pittsburgh.

Surveyor General reported that Mr. Louis U. Stout did, on the 12th of June, return to his office, the minute book of the board, also that there had been returned to the State Treasurer, (19) nineteen pieces of land scrip by Mr. Stout, leaving one hundred and forty-eight pieces accounted for as sold, and that from an examination of the book it appeared there was due the board the sum of $923 70 on sales of land scrip, under the administration of Mr. Barr.

When, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Surveyor General be authorized to draw upon Mr. Barr for the sum of $923 70 due the board.

The proposals of Jay Cooke & Co., David Preston & Co., B. Franklin Clark, and J. Thompson, for the purchase of land scrip, were laid before the the Board.

Ordered that the proposals be filed.

On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

HARRISBURG, PA., *July* 11, 1866.

Board of commissioners met at the executive chamber.

Members present: A. G. Curtin, Governor; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

Surveyor General Campbell reported that he had drawn upon Mr. Barr, late Surveyor General, for $923 70, the balance due, which would square the account of Mr. Barr with the board, as the same was shown by the book.

A form of circular inviting proposals for the purchase of land scrip

was then read and agreed upon, and the board ordered that fifteen hundred copies of the circular be printed for the use of the board, and that the same be printed as an advertisement, until the 15th day of August, 1866, in the following papers, viz:

Harrisburgh Telegraph, (daily,) Harrisburg Patriot and Union, (weekly,) Pittsburgh Evening Chronicle, (daily,) Pittsburgh Commercial Journal, (daily,) Pittsburgh Gazette, (daily,) Bellefonte Central Press, (weekly,) Philadelphia Universe, (weekly,) Ebensburg Alleghenian, (weekly,) Philadelphia Free Press, (German daily,) Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, (daily,) North American and U. S. Gazette, Philadelphia Bulletin and Press, (daily,) Lancaster Express, (weekly,) Chambersburg Repository, (weekly,) Erie Gazette, (weekly,) Cambria Tribune, (weekly,) Reading and Schuylkill Journal, (weekly,) Brookville Republican, (weekly,) Norristown Herald and Free Press, (weekly,) Fitzgerald City Item.

On motion adjourned to August 16, 1866, when the board will meet for the purpose of opening proposals and awarding bids for land scrip.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, *August* 16, 1866.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Members present: A. G. Curtin, Governor; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The board proceeded to open proposals for the purchase of land scrip. The following proposals were accepted, and the Surveyor General ordered to notify the parties of the acceptance of their respective bids, viz:

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Pieces.	Price per acre.
David Preston & Co.,	Detroit, Michigan,	100	$0 55¾
H. Thompson,* cash,	St. Paul, Minnesota,	60	85
George Nelson,*	" "	50	90
J. M. Carlisle,*	New Lisbon, Ohio,	1	62½
Fuller Trump,*	Springfield, "	1	75
G. F. Lewis,	Detroit, Michigan,	1,159	55
William A. Fields,	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.,	4	75
D. S. Coyl,	East Waterford, Juniata county, Pa.,	2	80
F. D. Shellenberg,	Meyer's Mills, Somerset " "	1	90

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Pieces.	Price per acre.
Isaac Kaufman and Silas J. Coover,	Davidsville, Somerset county, Pa.,	8	$0 65
H. Pillow,*	Prospect, Butler " "	4	75
James A. Johnson,	Smith's Ferry, Beaver " "	4	60
S. K. McCoy,	Hughesville, Lycoming " "	4	62
Do.	" " " "	8	62
J. Edward Roberts,	Johnstown, Cambria " "	2	60
Do.	" " " "	2	66
C. B. Ellis & Co.,	" " " "	44	66
C. B. Ellis,	" " " "	4	66
J. R. P. Brown,*	Smith's Ferry, Beaver " "	1	60
Harvey G. Fields,*	Schuylkill Haven, "	1	80
Rev. John C. Bryson,	Bievers P. O., Allegheny " "	3	75
Thomas H. McClelland,	Vancefort, " " "	2	75
James H. Smith,*	" " " "	1	1 00
James H. Dick,	Mansfield Valley, " " "	4	75
J. T. F. Wright,*	Pittsburgh, "	2	60
Do.	" "	1	64
Rev. Marcus Ormond,	Hookstown, Beaver " "	3	75
James Freeland,*	Millersburg, Dauphin " "	6	75
H. H. Gregg,	Harrisburg, " "	8	62½
John Huber,	Massilon, Ohio,	2	55

* Uncalled for.

The following proposals were rejected, viz:

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Pieces.	Price per acre.
Alvan Wilkins,	Detroit, Michigan,	500	$0 54⅜
C. and G. Woodman,	New York,	600	51
Drexel & Co., in part,	Philadelphia,	312½	50¼
James H. Gower,	Iowa City,	125	50
Henry Eastman,	Herritstown, Fayette county, Pa.,	13	50
Levi Birdduff,*	Pittsburgh, "	30	55
William L. Patterson,	East Mauch Chunk, "	2	50
G. F. McFarland,	Harrisburg, "	1	51
Henry Huntermash,	Freeport, Armstrong " "	2	25
John W. Rodgers,	New Castle, Lawrence " "	....	25
H. P. Griffin,	Franklin, Venango " "	4	25
W. R. Hamilton,†	Pittsburgh, "	24	65½
Do.	" "	32	70½
Do.	" "	24	76
Marcus Ormond,*	Hookstown, Beaver " "	1	55
John Chambers,*	Cleveland, Ohio,	44	55
John Morgan,*	Dayton, Ohio,	11	55
Samuel Smith,*	Pittsburgh, Pa.,	25	55

* Accepted.

† These three bids were withdrawn by letter before the opening of proposals.

On motion, the Surveyor General was requested to issue scrip in accordance with the terms of the accepted bids, as the same may be called for. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL, *Secretary pro tem.*

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HARRISBURG, *October* 18, 1866.

Board of commissioners for sale of agricultural land scrip met.

Present: A. G. Curtin, Governor and *ex-officio* president; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

It was resolved, that the Surveyor General be authorized and directed to pay the expenses incurred (prior to May 1, 1866,) by Dr. William H. Allen and trustees of agricultural school, as per bill and vouchers filed, amounting to $363 92.

Also, that he pay the amount expended since May 15, 1866, as per abstract and vouchers on file, No. 1 to 26, amounting to $730 55. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL.
Secretary pro tem.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
HARRISBURG, PA., *October* —, 1866.

Board of commisioners for sale of agriculture land scrip met.

Members present: A. G. Curtin, Governor and *ex-officio* president; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Surveyor General, be requested not to invest the money received from the sale of Agricultural College scrip at present, owing to the high rates of premium at which State and national bonds are now held. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
HARRISBURG, *January* 1, 1867.

Board of commissioners for the sale of agricultural land scrip met.

Members present: A. G. Curtin, Governor and *ex-officio* president; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

On motion of Gen. Hartranft

Resolved, That the Surveyor General be and is directed to invest the money in his hands in Pennsylvania or National securities immediately.

On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
HARRISBURG, PA., *February* 27, 1867.

Board of Commissioners for the sale of agricultural land scrip met.

Members present; John W. Geary, Governor and *ex-officio* president; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The Surveyor General reported that he had invested the money received for scrip sold, in the new issue of U. S. 5–20 bonds, amounting to $126,000, and that he had deposited the bonds belonging to the fund in the hands of the Auditor General, to be kept in the safe of the Auditor General's department; and that the quantity of scrip sold, amount received therefor, and premium paid on the bonds now held by the board were as follows, viz:

Total amount of scrip sold, two hundred and sixty thousand acres.

Total cash received for same, ...		$151,136 00
Invested as follows:		
In Penn'a six per cent. coupon bonds, war loan, . .		$18,100 00
In United States 5–20 coupon, new issue, ...		126,000 00
		$144,100 00
Premium paid for $18,000 Pennsylvania bonds, ...	$72 30	
Premium paid for $126,000 United States 5–20 bonds, ...	6,625 00	
		6,697 30
		$150,797 30
Cash on hand, ...		338 70
Total, ...		$151,136 00

A form of advertisement for the sale of the remaining five hundred and twenty thousand acres of land scrip was read by the Surveyor General, calling for proposals up to the 10th day of April, at twelve o'clock, m., 1867, for the purchase of the same.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the form of advertisement be adopted, and that the Surveyor General have the same published in at least one paper in each county of the State, and in at least four papers in the city of Philadelphia and the city of Pittsburgh respectively, and also in two papers in Dauphin and Lancaster counties; also, that he have printed four thousand copies of the advertisement in form of circular for distribution.

On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.
HARRISBURG PA., *April* 10, 1867.

Board of commissioners for the sale of agricultural land scrip, met at one o'clock p. m·

Members present: John W. Geary, Governor and *ex-officio* president; J. F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The board proceeded to open the bids for agricultural college land scrip. After examining all the proposals offered, the board awarded the scrip in quantities, and at the prices indicated, to the following named persons; and the Surveyor General was ordered to notify the parties of the acceptance of their respective bids:

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
R. M. Manley, . . .	Canton, Bradford county, Pa., . . .	160	$0 57
Samuel M. Kearn, . .	Wilmore, Cambria " " . .	640	61½
Do. . .	" " " " . . .	320	56
Joseph Miller, . . .	" " " " . . .	160	56
William H. Cook, . .	Carlisle, Cumberland " " . . .	640	60
Robert Mitchell, . . .	Indiana, Indiana " " . . .	1,280	56
Jonathan R. Day, . .	Sparta, Washington " " . . .	1,600	55
S. R. Newton, ...	Strattonville, Clarion county, Pa., .	960	56
H. M. Guthrie, . . .	" " " "	960	55
W. J. Mathews, . . .	Washington, "	3,840	55
Joseph Krawl, ...	Rossville, York " "	160	56
George Cryder, . . .	Strattonville, Clarion " "	960	61
Alexander Kennedy, .	St. Louis, ...	21,120	55
John H. Addison, . .	Strattonville, Clarion county, Pa., .	960	59
Jacob Miller, ...	Powell's Valley, Dauphin county, Pa.,	800	56
Mary R. Jackson, . .	Long Run, Armstrong " "	160	1 00
C. Gemp, ...	" " " "	160	1 00
Samuel Caldwell, . .	Western Penn'a Hospital, Dixmont,	480	1 00
Wesley George, . .	Dixmont, Allegheny county, Pa., .	800	75
M. A. Hamilton, . . .	Wilmore, Cambria " "	160	60
Joseph S. Rank, . . .	Limestoneville, Montour county, Pa.,	160	63
James D. Hamilton, .	Wilmore, Cambria " "	160	60
Walter Bell, ...	Summit, " " "	160	60
C. Long, ...	Shippensburg, "	640	55
Do.	" "	640	57
Do.	" "	640	60
Do.	" "	640	62
E. P. Burkit, ...	Ashland, Schuylkill " "	640	62½
W. B. Davis, . . .	New Castle, Lawrence " "	160	60
James P. Hurst, .	Washington, "	960	55
Jeremiah H. Roach,* .	Erie, "	640	81
J. R. McCloskey and Harry S. Thomson,	Hickory, Washington " "	1,920	55
Joseph Buffinton, . .	Kittanning, "	2,000	60
Isaac Kaufman, . . .	Davidsville, Somerset " "	320	56
David Killinger, . . .	Manchester, ...	24,000	55
Samuel Mook, ...	New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pa.,	160	1 00

* Not taken. See letter on file.

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
John Kirkpatrick, . .	Dixmont, Allegheny county, Pa.,	648	$0 80
F. A. Deetrick, . . .	Waterson's Ferry, Clarion " "	160	62
Henry Pillow, ...	Prospect, Butler " "	1,600	56
Amos W. Ernlon, . .	Clinton, Allegheny " "	320	65
A. E. Reynolds, . . .	Allentown, "	320	75
Cyrus E. Kemp, . . .	Hollidaysburg, "	1,920	65
J. A. Clarkson, . . .	Allentown, "	320	62½
Philip Long, . . .	Newburg, Cumberland " "	320	56
John Ewing, ...	Washington, "	6,720	55
W. A. Gray, ...	New Grenada, Fulton " "	640	75
James P. Colborn, . .	Aaronsburg, Centre " "	640	57
A. Godswalk, ...	Reemstown, Lancaster " "	640	56
Andrew Bell, ...	Chicago, Illinois, ...	35,200	55
Philip Hueston, . .	New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa.,	320	56
A. W. Taylor, ...	Harrisburg, "	1,280	55
R. A. McCoy, ...	" "	640	55¾
A. W. Taylor, ...	Beaver, Beaver " "	640	55
Daniel Stroup, . . .	Johnstown, Cambria " "	640	55
Alexander M. Lloyd, .	Hollidaysburg, "	640	60
David K. Ramey, . .	Altoona, "	640	60
E. Burket, ...	Arch Springs, Blair " "	640	58
Do.	" " " "	640	65
John Ewing, ...	Washington, "	1,280	55
G. McNeill, ...	Clinton, Allegheny " "	960	60
W. S. Jackson, . . .	Kiskiminitas, Armstrong " "	160	1 00
James McGonigal, . .	Strattonville, " "	640	56
W. A. Guthrie, . . .	" Clarion " "	640	57
H. S. Corbet, ...	" " " "	320	56
Eli E. Kinzer, . . .	Harrisburg, "	320	59
Do. . . .	" "	320	61
Isaac G. Parr, ...	New Alexandria, Westm'd co., "	640	58
S. B. Donaldson, . .	Coalmont, Huntingdon county, "	160	60
Barton & Sherman, .	Afton, Washington county, Minn., .	640	60
Matthew Patton, . . .	Philadelphia, Pa., ...	320	75
E. Burket, ...	Arch Springs, "	640	55
William N. Reily, . .	Bowlesburg, Centre county, Pa., . .	320	60
Thomas S. Reily, . .	" " " " . .	160	60
G. F. Lewis, ...	Detroit, Michigan, ...	37,760	55⅛
C. P. W. Fisler, . . .	Bowlesburg, Centre county, Pa., . .	640	65⅛
E. Burket, ...	Arch Springs, "	640	60
Geo. W. Householder,	Ray's Hill, Bedford " "	4,800	55
Henry Earle, ...	Philadelphia, ...	320	55¼
William P. Thompson,	"	320	85
Martin Funk, . . .	Wabash, Wabash county, Indiana, .	160	55
John H. Sweeny, . .	Harrisburg, Pa., ...	640	60¼
George H. Adams, . .	302 Leacock st., Allegheny City, Pa.,	320	60
G. M. Nall, ...	Clinton, Allegheny county, "	320	65
W. A. Fields, ...	Schuylkill Haven, "	640	55
G. McNull, ...	Clinton, Allegheny " "	320	55
Jacob Higgins, . . .	Williamsburg, Blair " "	320	65
Samuel Newell, . . .	Waterson's Ferry, Clarion county, "	160	60
J. D. Reed, ...	Enon Valley, Lawrence " "	2,560	58
L. M. Turrel, ...	Friendsville, Susquehanna " "	1,280	61
David Preston, . . .	Detroit, Michigan, ...	48,000	55⅛
George Potter, . . .	Altoona, Pa., ...	320	58
Do. . . .	" "	320	56
Samuel S. Blair, . . .	Hollidaysburg, Pa., ...	640	60
Edgar Waldon, . .	Eagle Rock, Venango county, Pa., .	160	1 00
John P. Crothers, .	Keokuk, Iowa, ...	20,000	56¼

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
E. M. Bishop, ...	Harrisburg, Pa., ...	1,280	$0 60
James E. Scott, . . .	Tamaqua, "	160	1 00
John Loudon, ...	Altoona, "	640	56
P. Wise, ...	Harrisburg, "	300,000†	55

† More or less.

The following bids were rejected, and the Surveyor General ordered to notify them accordingly:

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
William H. Johnston, .	Pittsburgh, Pa., ...	960	$0 51
H. Reed, ...	Freeport, "	1,280	51½
John Douglas, ...	Pittsburgh, (box 641,) Pa., ...	1,280	50
Archer & Savil, . . .	Baltimore, Maryland, ...	5,600	50
A. Van Cleef, ...	Harrisburg, Pa., ...	160	50
W. A. Guthrie, . . .	Strattonsville, Clarion county, Pa., .	320	51
James Welsh, ...	" " " "	960	51
G. W. Miller, . . .	" " " "	960	53
Samuel Wallace, . . .	" " " "	960	54
W. J. Mathews, . . .	Washington, "	8,000	50
S. H. Smith, ...	Johnstown, "	1,280	50
E. H. Sykes, ...	Carlisle, "	640	50
Daniel R. Davidson, .	Connellsville, Fayette " "	1,280	50
Frederick Owens, . .	Allegheny City, "	2,000	50
E. W. Brady, ...	Brady, Indiana " "	1,280	50
C. Long, ...	Shippensburg, "	640	50
Do.	" "	640	52
Jesse Brown, ...	Tarentum, "	1,000	50
George W. Goodrich, .	Aldenville, Wayne " "	640	50
J. C. McClellan, . . .	Freeport, "	2,560	52½
P. S. Weaver, ...	" Armstrong " "	2,560	53½
A. Sully, ...	Davenport, Iowa, ...	960	50
Edward Wheelan, . .	Philadelphia, ...	10,080	50
Davis R. Smith, . . .	Wallace, Chester county, Pa,, . . .	960	50
John S. Oleson, . .	Harrisburg, " . . .	640	50
Valentine Saxton, . .	Granville Summit, Bradford co., Pa.,	160	50
Isaac Kaufman, . .	Davidsville, Somerset county, "	640	50
H. Thompson, cash, .	St. Paul, Minnesota, ...	16,000	53⅛
Do. do.	" If the above is rejected, then	8,000	54
James W. Brook, . .	Dixmont, Allegheny county, Pa., . .	960	50
Isaac J. Cummings, . .	Butler, " . .	1,920	51
George Mosh, care Jas. H. Leech, ...	New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pa.,	320	50
John K. Kennedy, . .	Prospect, Butler " "	960	50
Isaac Sponsler, . . .	" " " "	940	50
John Q. H. Kennedy, .	Butler, " " "	640	50
W. F. Little, ...	Service, Beaver " "	1,280	52
Harry White, ...	Senate Chamber, ...	640	50
F. B. Hill, ...	Reading, Pa., ...	160	50
Joshua Davis, care Jas. H. Leech, ...	New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pa.,	640	50
James McGonigal, . .	Strattonville, Clarion " "	160	54
P. Templeton, ...	Kittanning, "	800	50

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
R. A. Moore,	New Grenada, Fulton county, Pa.,	640	$0 51½
J. H. Robinson,	Mercer, "	460	53
Do.	" "	460	50
J. F. Wynkoop,	Franklin, "	10,000	50
William Colder,	Harrisburg, "	520,000	54⅝
George Hinkle,	Millersburg, "	16,000	50
Alexander M. Lloyd,	Hollidaysburg, "	320	50
David K. Ramey,	Altoona, "	640	50
J. P. Sweeney,	Clinton, Allegheny " "	160	50
N. W. Ackley,	Dushong, Sullivan " "	1,280	50
John M. Corbett,	Strattonville, "	160	51
R. B. Kellogg,	Oshkosh, Wisconsin,	5,120	51¼
Edwin Rodgers,	South Canaan, Wayne county, Pa.,	640	50
John Loudon,	Harrisburg,	640	51
Samuel McCune,	New Washington, Clearfield co., Pa.,	640	50
Jacob Barr,	Sterling Run, Cameron county, "	320	50
Jacob Higgins,	Williamsburg, Blair " "	640	50
James Wilkins,	Coalmont, Huntingdon " "	160	50
John Austin,	Collamsburg, Clarion " "	1,920	50
George Potter,	Altoona, "	320	51
David Preston,	Detroit, Michigan, (conditional,)	520,000	53⅜
Do.	" " "	320,000	54½
Do.	" " "	160,000	54⅝
Do.	" " "	80,000	54¾
Do.	" " "	64,000	54⅞
E. L. Bailey,	Harrisburg, Pa.,	320	50
George W. Goodrich,	Aldenville, Wayne county, Pa.,	1,280	50
G. F. Lewis,	Harrisburg, "	520,000	54 53/100
Do.	" Any portion less than whole,		54 45/100
B. F. Clarke,	New York, (conditional,)	100,000	55⅛
E. Burket,	Arch Springs, Blair county, Pa.,	1,280	50
J. F. Grove,	Sugar Grove, Warren " "	160	50
John K. Neff,	Williamsburg, Blair " "	640	50
J. W. Guthrie,	Strattonville, Clarion " "	960	46
James Mills,	" " " "	960	47
S. H. Smith,	Johnstown, Cambria " "	1,280	46
J. R. Gohen,	Armagh, Indiana " "	160	45
Caleb G. Smith,	Sugar Grove, Warren " "	320	47
G. L. Johnson,	Box 287, Pittsburgh,	320	45
J. F. Mansfield,	Darlington, (withdrawn,)	160	45
T. J. McCammon,	Collinsburg, Pa,	160	45
C. Long,	Shippensburg, Pa.,	640	45
A. G. & D. E. Arnstead,	Coudersport, "	160	46
J. Anderson Moore,	St. Clair Hotel, Pittsburgh,	160	45
William Hart,	Armagh, Indiana county, Pa.,	160	45
Isaac Kaufman,	Davidsville, "	640	45
J. Comstock,	Baltimore, Maryland,	16,000	45
J. H. Robinson,	Mercer, Pa.,	920	45
William Malion,	Darlington, Pa.,	160	45
A. Foster & J. Murphy,	Johnstown, "	320	45
H. G. Lomison,	Greensburg, "	2,560	45
G. M. Young,	Braddock's Fields, Pa.,	160	45
John Loudon,	Altoona, "	640	46
John Geiss,	Johnstown, "	1,280	46
Murphy & Foster.	" "	320	40
Josiah C. White,	New Castle, Lawrence county, Pa.,	2,560	40
J. H. Kernott & J. P. Rodgers,	Callensburg, Clarion " "	480	40
William H. Johnston,	Pittsburgh,	640	41

NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
S. H. Smith,	Johnstown, Pa.,	1,280	$0 41
David Ellis,	Indiana, "	640	40
James Gordan, (ad. Jas. H. Leech,)	New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pa.,	640	40
J. Porter Brown,	Tarentum, Allegheny " "	1,000	40
Henry Alleman,	Tyrone, Blair " "	1,920	40
James M. Wolf,	Waterville, Lycoming " "	320	40
W. C. Gourdon,	Blairsville, "	640	40
Philip Mater,	Harrisburg, "	10,240	40
J. Stuft,	Greensburg, "	10,000	40
George H. Boggs,	Plummer, Venango " "	10,000	40
D. C. Larabee,	Coudersport, Potter " "	1,280	41
P. J. Bartleson,	69 Liberty street, Pittsburgh,	320	40
Don Stuart,	Sugar Grove, Warren county, Pa.,	320	40
Joseph S. Rank,	Limestoneville, Montour " "	960	40
J. S. Bergstresser,	Coalmont, "	160	40
J. Anderson Moore,	St. Clair Hotel, Pittsburgh,	160	40
Hugh Parker,	Armagh, Indiana county, Pa.,	160	40
M. L. Hitchcock,	Franklin, "	1,280	42
H. Pillow,	House of Representatives, "	640	40
J. H. Robinson,	Mercer, "	1,840	40
J. R. Quay,	Beech Creek, Clinton county, Pa.,	640	41
Frederick Ramey,	Altoona, "	640	40
John Grim,	Darlington, "	640	40
James Taylor,	West Fairview, Westmorel'd co., Pa.,	640	40
Chambers Templeton,	Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, "	2,400	40
Mary A. Care,	Sugar Grove, Warren " "	640	25
J. H. Kinter,	Indiana, "	320	35
Do.	" "	640	31
Do.	" "	1,280	26
Mrs. Henrietta Johnston,	Pittsburgh, "	640	36
Do.	" "	640	37½
S. H. Smith,	Johnstown, "	1,280	31
John Geiss,	" "	1,280	36
Do.	" "	1,280	26
J. W. Houston,	New Bloomfield, Perry " "	640	25
Jason Hotchkiss,	Blooming Valley, Crawford " "	640	20
R. S. Jameson,	Greensburg, "	1,280	20
D. W. Osman,	Callensburg, Clarion " "	1,920	20
E. H. Sykes,	Carlisle, "	320	35
Charles C. Jennings,	Easton, "	320	25
Frank Cooley,	Murdocksville, Washington " "	480	31
R. J. Wox,	New Bloomfield, Perry " "	640	30
S. W. Shepperd,	Granville, Centre " "	40,000	20
A. L. L. R. Price,	Port Matilda, Centre " "	1,280	10
J. W. Rumberger,	" " " "	1,280	15
A. S. Price,	" " " "	640	25
J. F. Davis,	" " " "	1,280	20
J. O. Brown,	Tarentum, Allegheny " "	2,000	20
W. D. Hume,	New Germantown, Perry " "		25
J. R. P. Brown,	Tarentum, Allegheny " "	1,000	30
L. E. Hill,	Reading, "	1,280	25
G. H. Boggs,	Plummer, Venango " "	10,000	30
Lorain Doeyle,	Sylvania, Bradford " "	960	20
D. C. Glibbin,	Franklin, Venango " "	1,120	30
J. Anderson Moore,	St. Clair Hotel, Pittsburgh, "	160	30
Do.	" " " "	160	35
Jos. Laughlin Marchall,	Dayton,	640	25
J. R. Zimmerman,	Bellefonte, Pa.,	1,280	10

Names.	Address.	Number of acres.	Price per acre.
Seth Johnson, ...	Sugar Grove, Warren county, Pa., .	640	$0 12½
J. H. Robinson, . . .	Mercer, "	3,780	35
Do. . . .	" "	7,560	30
Do. . . .	" "	15,120	25
Jason Hotchkiss, . . .	Box 118, Blooming Valley, "	320	25
William A. Prentias, .	Prentis Vale, McKean county, "	160	10
Alexander Woodward,	Walnut P. O., Juniata " "	320	30
John Woodward, . . .	" " " "	960	25
J. R. McAfee, ...	Greensburg, Westmoreland co., Pa.,	640	30
Samuel D. Gorkley, .	Sheridan, Lebanon county, Pa., . .	320	25
J. B. Guthrie, ...	Apollo, Armstrong " " . .	8,000	33½
J. C. Hyers, ...	New Washington, Clearfield co., Pa.,	2,540	25
E. S. Bailey, ...	Granville Centre, Bradford co., "	40,000	25
Luman Putman, junior,	Troy, " " "	40,000	30

Harrisburg, *June* 28, 1867.

The board of commissioners met this day in the executive chamber.

Present: John W. Geary, Governor and *ex-officio* president; John F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The award of three hundred thousand acres of agricultural land scrip to Peter Wise, Esq., was declared forfeited, the said Wise having failed to comply with the terms of his agreement with the board.

A proposition from Mr. G. F. Lewis was then submitted to the board, in which he proposed to take all the unsold scrip heretofore awarded to Mr. Wise at fifty-five cents per acre; to pay for forty-eight thousand acres at this date, and to lift and pay for the whole of it in fifty days.

The proposition of Mr. Lewis was accepted, and the Surveyor General ordered to transfer the scrip upon the payment of the purchase money. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

Harrisburg, Pa., *August* 7, 1867.

Commissioners for sale of agricultural college land scrip met this day in the executive chamber.

Present: John W. Greary, Governor and *ex-officio* president; John F. Hartranft, Auditor General; J. M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The Surveyor General reported to the board that all the scrip had been sold and the money received for the same, except seven hundred

and fifty-five pieces of the amount awarded to Mr. Lewis, and which would be lifted in ten days or two weeks.

The Surveyor General was authorized to invest the money received for scrip in Pennsylvania bonds of 1867, excepting one tenth of the gross amount received on all the scrip donated to the State.

The Surveyor General was also authorized and directed to return to Mr. P. Wise the bonds and other securities forfeited by him on account of non-compliance with the terms of his contract, as soon as Mr. Lewis will have lifted all the scrip awarded to him after the contract of Mr. Wise had been declared forfeited. On, motion adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

HARRISBURG, PA., *September* 17, 1867.

Board of commissioners for the sale of agricultural college land scrip met this day in the executive chamber.

Members present: John W. Geary, Governor and *ex-officio* president; John F. Hartranft, Auditor General; Jacob M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The various bills for publishing proposals for sale of agricultural college land scrip in the papers of the State, and the printing of circulars, were presented and examined, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-five hundred and thirty-one dollars and seventy-eight cents. ($2,531 78.)

On motion, it was ordered that the Surveyor General draw his warrant upon the treasury for the amount, and pay the bills, filing his vouchers for the same. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

HARRISBURG, *February* 12, 1868.

Board of commissioners for the sale of agricultural college land scrip, met this day in the executive chamber.

Members present: John W. Geary, Governor and *ex-officio* president; John F. Hartranft, Auditor General; Jacob M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

The application of Moses Thompson, treasurer of the board of trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania was presented and

read, asking the board of commissioners to place to his credit the sum of twenty-five thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, ($25,750,) of which sum it was proposed seventeen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars ($17,750) should be expended in the purchase of an experimental farm in Chester county; and eight thousand dollars ($8,000) for an experimental farm near the college in Centre county.

On motion, it was ordered that the Surveyor General place to the credit of Moses Thompson, treasurer of the trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, the sum of seventeen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, ($17,750,) to be applied to the purchase of the experimental farm in Chester county; and that action upon the application for the eight thousand dollars ($8,000) be postponed for the present. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

HARRISBURG, *April* 23, 1868.

Board of commissioners for sale of agricultural college land scrip met this day in the executive chamber.

Members present: John W. Geary, Governor and *ex-officio* president John, F. Hartranft, Auditor General; Jacob M. Campbell, Surveyor General.

An opinion of Judge Pearson, president judge of Dauphin county court of common pleas and quarter sessions, on a case stated by the trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania, on the one side, and the board of commissioners on the other, as to the legality of paying to the trustees the eight thousand dollars ($8,000) to be applied to the farm near the college, as heretofore asked for by them, was read.

On motion, it was ordered that the opinion of Judge Pearson be filed, and that the Surveyor General be authorized to pay to the treasurer of the board of trustees of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania the sum of twenty-six thousand one hundred and thirty-six dollars and fifty cents, ($26,136 50,) being the ballance in full of the one tenth of the proceeds of the sale of agricultural college land scrip, still in the hands of the board of commissioners, provided that the said treasurer shall specify that the above sum is to be applied to the purchase of sites for experimental farms. On motion, adjourned.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary pro tem.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE COLLEGE.

Mr. Ackerly, from the committee to investigate the Pennsylvania State College, presented the following report:

In submitting the evidence, the committee beg leave to report as the result of their investigation into the affairs of the Pennsylvania State College, that while the evidence does not show actual fraud or disclose corrupt management of the funds received by said institution, yet your committe are of the opinion that the testimony does conclusively indicate that the institution has been very badly managed; that its location is a very undesirable one; that the building is entirely unsuited for which it was erected; that the agricultural department which was intended to be the leading object of the institution, has never been a success, and that the State has never received and is not now receiving benefits at all commensurate with the amount of money which has been appropriated to said institution by the United States and this State. We also find the Congress of the United States granted to the State seven hundred and eighty thousand acres of land, which by bad management, netted the State only $439,000; the act of Congress granting this vast amount of land required that the proceeds thereof should be used by the State mainly in the interest of agriculture and the mechanical arts; that the interest accruing from this fund, in addition to some $400,000 appropriated by the State Legislature, is used and controled by the trustees of said agricultural college; that in addition, the trustees aforesaid hold the bond of the State bearing six per cent. interest, dated February 2, 1772, calling for $500,000, and falling due fifty years from date, from which the said trustees derive a revenue of $30,000 annually. Your commitee find the evidence discloses the further fact that the deeds for all the freehold belonging to said Pennsylvania State College, including the experimental farms, are held by the aforesaid trustees, not in trust for the commonwealth, but for the aforesaid trustees and their successors. Your committee also find that the experimental farms owned by said trustees which were to be conducted solely in the interest of the agricultural class of the Commonwealth, have utterly failed to accomplish the object intended. This is notably so in the case of the western farm,

located in Indiana county, which is not now a third class farm, nor in as good condition as when purchased. Your committee also find that at the present session of the college but forty-six students are in attendance, many of whom are non-residents of the State, and that there is now in the employ of the college eleven professors, which we deem out of all proportion with the number of students in attendance. Finally, your committee is of the opinion that the trustees have signally failed to carry out the object for which the magnificent land grant was given by the United States, and which was further sought to be accomplished by most liberal appropriations on the part of the State.

A. J. ACKERLY,
Chairman.

J. T. SHOENER,
JACOB PROVINS,
THOMAS ST. CLAIR,
ALLEN CRAIG.

In connection with the above report Mr. Ackerly offered the following resolution:

Resolved, (if the senate concur,) That the State Treasurer be and is hereby instructed to pay no more money to the said Pennsylvania State College or to any of its officers, agents, or representatives until it shall be satisfactorily shown to this or succeeding Legislatures that said Pennsylvania State College has fully complied with the requirements of the act of Congress of July 2, 1862, and with the several acts of the Legislature in relation thereto, nor until such time as this or succeeding Legislatures shall be fully satisfied that the agricultural and mechanical interests of the State are receiving from such college actual benefits which are commensurate with the amount of money expended for its support and maintenance.

The report and the resolution were then adopted by the House.